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MEMORANDUM FOR: General Counsel

FROM:

Director of Central Intelligence

1. What could we do to strengthen the Espionage Act to make it feasible to prosecute people for "industrial espionage" as opposed to pure military espionage?

2. I've heard it stated that under the Espionage Act we could convict people for sending information to a potential enemy about the disposition of military forces but that we could not prosecute for sending information about the characteristics of new weapon systems, etc.

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